Note from General Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Michael Clift

The Red Dot System

We are grateful to all those who have paid their dues and without protest at the small increase levied from January 1st. Already the bank balance looks healthier. Because of this we may soon be able to deploy that part of it which is "Image Fund" to an interesting project we have in mind to make a high quality Image widely available, in the first instance to members.

However it continues to puzzle us that whatever the state of the membership, and irrespective of numbers there is a consistent figure of two thirds paid up at any one time. There are still many who have not paid this year, a lot still owing for last year, and too many whose forgetfulness is longer. But it is not economical to chase these up individually after the first reminder of the enclosed renewal form with the January Newsletter. Instead we have devised a culling operation known as the Red Dot System. If the Newsletter has a red dot you owe for this year 1995. Two red dots means you owe for last year as well, and possibly more than that. Those who remain in arrears may not be sent the August/September issue. We do not like losing any member but we have a clear duty to paying members to see that the next increase does not come too soon. So, ye spotters of the red, please respond with the greenbacks, or equivalent!